

Benedictus in B flat

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(1852-1924)

88 *Smoothly but not too slow* [5]

Soprano

Alto

Tenor

Bass

Organ

mf Bless-ed be the Lord God of Is-ra-el, for He hath vi-si-ted and re-deem'd His

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mf *Smoothly but not too slow*

[10] *cresc.* [15]

S

A

T

B

mf And hath rais-ed up a migh-ty sal-va-tion for *f* us, in the house of His ser-vant

mf And hath rais-ed up a migh-ty sal-va-tion for us, in the house of His ser-vant

people; And hath rais-ed up a migh-ty sal-va-tion for *f* us, in the house of His ser-vant

people; And hath rais-ed up a migh-ty sal-va-tion for *f* us, in the house of His ser-vant

cresc. *f*

20

Dec.

S Da-vid; As He spake by the mouth of his ho-ly Pro-phets, which have_ been since the

Dec.

A Da-vid; As He spake by the mouth of his ho-ly Pro-phets, which have been_ since

Dec.

T Da-vid; As He spake by the mouth of his ho-ly Pro-phets, which have been_ since

Dec.

B Da-vid; As He spake by the mouth of his ho-ly Pro-phets, which_ have been since the

Sw.

25 30

Can.

S world be - gani; That we should be sa-ved from our_ e-ne-mies, and from the

Can.

A the world be - gan; That we should be sa-ved from our e-ne-mies. and from the

Can.

T the world be - gan; That we should be sa-ved from our e-ne-mies, and from the

Can.

B world be - gan; That we should be sa-ved_ from our e-ne-mies, and from the

c.

35 *Full* 40

S hands of all that hate us; *mf* To per - form the mer - cy pro - mis - ed to our fore - fa - thers.

A hands of all that hate us; *Full* *f* To per - form the mer - cy pro - mis - ed to our fore - fa - thers,

T hands of all that hate us;

B hands of all that hate us;

Gt.

45

S and to re - mem - ber His ho - ly Co - ve - nant;

A and to re - mem - ber His ho - ly Co - ve - nant; *f* To per - form the oath which he sware

T *Full* *f* To per - form the oath which he sware

B *Full* *f* To per - form the oath which he sware

50 55

S
That we be-ing de - li-ver -

A
dim.
to our fore-fa-ther A - bra-ham, that He would give us; *p* That we—

T
dim.
to our fore-fa-ther A - bra-ham, that He would give us, *p* That we

B
dim.
to our fore-fa-ther A - bra-ham, that He would give us; *p* That we

60 65

S
ed out of the hand of our e- ne - mies, *p* might serve Him

A
be-ing de - li-ver - ed out of the hand of our e-ne - mies, *p* might serve Him

T
be-ing de - li-ver - ed out of the hand of our e - ne - mies,

B
be-ing de - li - ver - ed out of the hand of our e - ne - mies,

70 75 *dim.* 80 *rall.*

S
with-out fear; In ho-li - ness and right-eous - ness be - fore Him, all the days

A
with-out fear; in ho-li - ness and right-eous - ness be - fore Him, all the days

T
p might serve Him with-out fear; In ho-li - ness be fore Him, all the days

B
p might serve Him with-out fear; In ho-li - ness be - fore . Him, all the days

dim. *rall.*

76 *majestically and a little slower* 85

S
of our life.

A
of our life. *ff* And thou, Child, shalt be call-ed the Pro-phet of the High-

T
of our life. *ff* And thou, Child, shalt be call-ed the Pro-phet of tire High-

B
of our life. *ff* And thou, Child, shalt be call-ed the Pro-phet of tire High-

majestically and a little slower

f *Gt.*

90 95

S *ff* for thou shalt go — be-fore the face of the Lord to pre-pare His ways;

A est, *f* To give

T est, *f* To give

B est. *f* To give

Ch.

100 105

S

A know-ledge of sal - va-tion un-to His peo-ple for the re - mis-sion of their sins,

T know-ledge of sal - va-tion un-to His peo-ple for the re - mis-sion of their sins,

B know-ledge of sal - va-tion un-to His peo-ple for the re - mis-sion of their sins,

f Gt.

110

S *p* Through the ten-der mer-cy of our God, — where - by the day-spring from on high —

A *p* Through the ten-der mer-cy of our God, — where - by the day-spring from on high

T *p* Through the ten-der mer-cy of our God, — where - by the day-spring from on high

B *p* Through the ten-der mer-cy of our God, — where - by the day-spring from on high

cresc. 115 120

S hath vi- si- ted us; *ff* To give light — to them that sit in *p* dark- ness,

A *cresc.* hath vi - si - ted us; *ff* To give light — to them that sit in *p* dark- ness,

T *cresc.* hath vi - si - ted us; *ff* To give light — to them that sit in *p* dark- ness,

B *cresc.* hath vi - si - ted us; *ff* To give light — to them that sit in *p* dark- ness,

cresc. *ff* *Gt.* *p* *full Sw. closed*

125 130

S and in the sha - dow of death,

A and in the sha - dow of death,

T and in the sha - dow of death,

B and in the sha - dow of death, and to

135 140

S *p* and to guide our feet in - to the way of

A *p* and to guide our feet, our feet in - to the way of

T *p* and to guide our feet in - to the way of peace, in -

B guide our feet, our feet in - to the way of peace, in -

145 150 155

S
 peace, _____ of peace. _____

A
 peace, the way of peace. _____

T
 to the way of peace. _____

B
 to the way of peace. _____

Ch. Clar.

cr=90

with dignity =90 160 165

S
f Glo-ry be to the Fa - tli er, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Ghost; As it was in the be -

A
f Glo-ry be to the Fa- ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Ghost; As it was in the be -

T
f Glo-ry be to the Fa- ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Ghost; As it was in the be -

B
f Glo-ry be to the Fa- ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Ghost; As it was in the be -

f *Gl.*

with dignity =90

170 175

S
gin-ning, is now and e-ver shall be, world with-out end, with-out

A
gin-ning, is now and e-ver shall be, world with-out end, with-out

T
gin-ning, is now and e-ver shall be, world with-out end, with-out

B
gin-ning, is now and e-ver shall be, world with-out end, with-out

rall. 180 185

S
end. A - men, A- men.

A
end. A - men, A- men.

T
end. A - men, A- men.

B
end. A - men, A- men.

rall. *P Full Sw.*